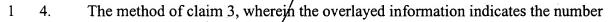


What is claimed is:



- 1 1. A method of displaying information relating to a workflow comprising the steps
- 2 of:
- 3 executing the workflow
- 4 gathering statistical information relating to the execution of the workflow; and
- 5 displaying the gathered information.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
- 2 displaying a workflow diagram;/and
- 3 overlaying the gathered information over the workflow diagram.
- 1 3. The method of claim 2, wherein the overlayed information indicates workflow
- 2 statistics for various steps displayed in the workflow diagram.



- 2 of times a certain step was executed.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1/further comprising the steps of:
- 2 displaying a workflow diagram; and
- 3 selectively overlaying the gathered information over the workflow diagram.
- 1 6. The method of claim 5, wherein the information is selectively displayed by
- 2 positioning a pointer over the display.



- 1 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of color coding the displayed
- 2 information.



- 1 8. The method of claim 7, wherein the information is color coded based on threshold
- 2 values.
- 1 9. A workflow system comprising:
- 2 a workflow server engine for executing workflows;
- a display device for displaying workflow diagrams; and
- 4 an overlay data provider for providing information relating to an executing workflow to
- 5 the display.
- 1 10. The workflow system of claim 9, wherein the display device is a workflow editor.
- 1 11. The workflow system of claim 9, wherein the display device displays a workflow
- 2 diagram.
- 1 12. The workflow system of claim 11, wherein the display device displays the
- 2 information as an overlay to the workflow diagram.



- 1 13. A method of collecting information relating to a workflow comprising the steps
- 2 of:
- 3 executing the workflow; and
- 4 collecting information relating to the execution of the workflow.

- 14. The method of claim 13 further comprising the step of displaying the collected
- 2 information
- 1 15. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information is statistical
- 2 information.
- 1 16. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information includes the number of
- 2 times a step in the workflow is executed.
- 1 17. The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of displaying the statistical
- 2 information.
- 1 18. The method of claim 17, further comprising the steps of displaying a workflow
- diagram of the workflow being executed, wherein the displayed information is overlaid
- 3 on the workflow diagram.
- 1 19. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information includes the execution
- 2 time of one or more steps.
- 1 20. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information includes the number of
- 2 exceptions encountered during execution of the workflow.
- 1 21. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information is displayed as a raw
- 2 number.



- 22. The method of claim 14 wherein the collected information is displayed as a percentage.
- 1 23. The method of claim 1, wherein the gathered information is displayed in a table.

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